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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael Flanagan 

SUBJECT: Approval of Criteria for Expansion Grants for Sponsoring Organizations of Day Care Homes

The purpose of the Expansion Grant is to expand the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) operations in day care homes in low-income or rural areas. This grant is an entitlement program from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Eligible sponsoring organizations applying for expansion grants may receive a maximum of the USDA currently assigned administrative payment for up to fifty homes. The current maximum award would be \$10,600.00.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the criteria for Expansion Grants for Sponsoring Organizations of Day Care Homes as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated February 27, 2012.

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Criteria for United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Expansion Grants for  
Sponsoring Organizations of Day Care Homes

The State Board of Education has adopted as its goal "Significant and meaningful improvement in the academic performance of all students/children with major emphasis on the persistently lowest achieving schools and students."

To the extent possible, all grant criteria and grant awards will serve to further attain the above goal, and the Board's Vision and Principles of Universal Education.

**PRIORITIES, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS THAT THESE CRITERIA SUPPORT**

The support of the Expansion Grant sustains the Board's expectation of achievement for all children by providing the opportunity for day care homes in low-income and rural areas to provide nutritious meals to children through participation in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). Children's development is positively impacted by eating nutritionally rich foods.

**BACKGROUND/PURPOSE OF GRANT**

☐ Competitive      X Formula      ☐ New      X Continuation      (*check all that apply*)

The purpose of the Expansion Grant is to expand the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) operations in day care homes in low-income or rural areas. This grant will allow Family Day Care Home Sponsors to recruit non-participating homes to affiliate with CACFP and provide nutritious meals to children.

**CRITERIA**

Date criteria were last approved 4/10/2007.

X Defined in Statute      ☐ Defined in Department's Approved Grant Application to the Funder      ☐ Proposed by Staff

- Public status or tax exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- An organizational history of managing funds and ongoing activities (i.e., administering public or private programs).
- An acceptable and realistic plan for recruiting day care homes to participate in the CACFP (such as the method of contacting providers), which may be based on estimates of the number of day care homes to be recruited and information supporting their existence, and in the case of sponsoring organizations applying for expansion payments, documentation that the day care homes to be recruited are located in low-income or rural areas.
- An acceptable preliminary sponsoring organization management plan including, but not limited to, plans for preoperational visits and training. (The criteria that will be used to determine which eligible applicant receives the funds.)

## **ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS/TARGET POPULATION TO BE SERVED BY GRANT**

Eligible applicants are established, tax-exempt sponsoring organizations which initiate or expand CACFP operations in day care homes in low-income or rural areas.

## **TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE**

This grant is an entitlement program from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Eligible sponsoring organizations applying for expansion grants may receive a maximum of the USDA currently assigned administrative payment for up to 50 homes. The maximum award per sponsor is \$10,600.00.

## **STATUTE**

[CFR Part 226.12 (b)] and 2005 federal appropriation of the National School Lunch Act, as amended. P.L. 108-269 [42 USC 1766]

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